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(3) The State Broadcasting Branch be wound up with effect from 1st April 1961 and the staff absorbed in suitable posts in Public Works and similar departments of Government.

The Chief Engineer (General) has reported that nucleus staff may be retained to arrange for the installation of public address systems, maintenance of loudspeaker equipment of State Legislature and for the collection of arrears and dues of maintenance charges for radio receiver sets from the Panchayats and that he has addressed various heads of departments for absorbing the surplus staff. He has also requested that time may be granted till 1st July 1961 for implementing the orders of Government for winding up the department. This is separately under the consideration of the Government. It is proposed to give time to the Chief Engineer till 1st July 1961, for winding up the State Broadcasting Branch as requested by him. But he is being asked to submit detailed proposals before 15th April 1961 for the retention of the barest minimum staff to attend to the residuary work and for the absorption of the balance of staff in suitable posts in other departments.

IV.—GOVERNMENT MOTION.

ASSOCIATION OF THREE MEMBERS WITH THE COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Chairman, Sir, I move—

'That this House nominates the following three members to associate with the Committee on Subordinate Legislation of the Legislative Assembly for the financial year 1961–62 :—

Sri V. Rengaswamy,

,, L. S. Karayalar, and

,, Mohamed Raza Khan '.

MR CHAIRMAN : The question is—

'That this House nominates the following three members to associate with the Committee on Subordinate Legislation of the Legislative Assembly for the financial year 1961–62 :—

Sri V. Rengaswamy,

,, L. S. Karayalar, and

" Mohamed Raza Khan '.

The motion was put and carried.

V.—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

(1) DISCUSSION ON THE STATEMENT OF DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR EXCESS EXPENDITURE IN 1957–58.

SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Sir, I just like to say a few words. After all the excess expenditure is just only about rupees one crore. But I wish to refer to the report of the Public Accounts